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1. SUMMARY. LT. GOV. DYMALLY CONCLUDED BUSY AND PRODUCTIVE VISIT TO TOKYO ON DEC 8 WHICH INCLUDED SEVERAL MEETINGS WITH JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND CORPORATIONS; LUNCHEON WITH U.S. AND JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR; PRESS INTERVIEW AND USIA VIDEOTAPING; AND VISITS TO MAJOR UNIVERSITIES.
END SUMMARY.

2. LT. GOV. DYMALLY CONCLUDED PRODUCTIVE AND BUSY VISIT TO JAPAN ON DECEMBER 8. DYMALLY VISITED WITH OFFICIALS OF MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, U.S.-JAPAN ECONOMIC COUNCIL, FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN), JAPAN-CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION, AND JAPAN EXTERNAL TRADE ORGANIZATION (JETRO). BUSINESS VISITS WERE MADE TO MITSUBISHI CORP. (JAPAN'S LARGEST TRADING COMPANY AND CENTER OF THE LARGE MITSUBISHI GROUP, TOYOTA MOTORS, AND NISSAN MOTORS, TO DISCUSS INVESTMENT IN STATE OF CALIFORNIA. LT. GOV. DYMALLY ALSO VISITED SONY CORP. TO DISCUSS THAT COMPANY'S CALIFORNIA OPERATIONS.

3. LT. GOV. AND MRS. DYMALLY WERE GUESTS OF HONOR
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AT LUNCHEON HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR AND MRS. HODGSON, WHICH

WAS ATTENDED BY U.S. AND JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN WITH CALIFORNIA BUSINESS TIES. IN HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH LT. GOV. DYMALLY, AMBASSADOR EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL CONTACT IN CONDUCTING BUSINESS WITH JAPANESE.

4. USIS ARRANGED TWO PRESS INTERVIEWS FOR DYMALLY WITH "MAINICHI SHIMBUN," ONE OF JAPAN'S MAJOR DAILIES, AND WITH "SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE." MAINICHI ARTICLE APPEARED DEC. 11. USIS ALSO VIDEOTAPED DISCUSSION WITH DYMALLY FOR USE BY POSTS THROUGHOUT ASIA/ PACIFIC AREA.

5. LT. GOV. DYMALLY SAYS JAPANESE OFFICIALS ASKED HIM WHY CALIFORNIA, WHICH PROBABLY HAS CLOSEST BUSINESS TRADE TIES WITH JAPAN OF ANY U.S. STATE, HAS NO STATE OFFICE IN TOKYO AS DO MANY OTHER STATES. IN DISCUSSING THIS COMMENT WITH LT. GOV. DYMALLY, EMBOFF TOLD HIM THAT STATE OFFICES IN TOKYO HAVE PERFORMED VALUABLE ROLE IN PROMOTING TRADE AND INVESTMENT FOR THEIR ESPECTIVE STATES.

6. WHILE IN TOKYO, DYMALLY ALSO VISITRD WITH PRESIDENT OF TOKYO UNIVERSITY, JAPAN'S LEADING UNIVERSITY, AND THE RECENTLY-ESTABLISHED UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY. HODGSON

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